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Common investment agreement

Arabs view economic unity

RIYADH, Feb. 26 (SPA) — Hopes of Arab economic unity — beginning with demonstration projects and leading to more impressive targets — have been rekindled at the 26th session of the Arab Economic Council here.

Members of the council hope to be able to sign two agreements — one giving Arab goods trade preference in Arab countries and the other calling for rich Arab nations to invest in poor ones — before they adjourn the talks.

The council session opened here Monday with a statement from Saudi Minister of Finance and National Economy Sheikh Muhammad Abduh Al-Khalil, who told delegates the two agreements would help Arab countries become self-sufficient.

Given the fact that inter-Arab trade accounts for no more than two per cent of the Arab world's imports, Al-Khalil said, it is clear that there is room for a great expansion in trade among the various Islamic countries.

There is a need for fully exploiting Arab resources in order to foster development efforts, he said. Such moves would be in the collective interest of all Arab States and Saudi Arabia strongly believes in such joint development projects, he added.

The council is to review a plan for the setting up of two industrial projects as joint Arab ventures, and will sign an agreement to establish Arab Fisheries Company. Progress in the Euro-Arab dialogue will probably be discussed.

Dr. Abdul Mohsen Zafar, assistant Arab League secretary general, said that among the



CONFERENCE: Finance Minister Sheikh Muhammad Abduh Al-Khalil (center) addresses the Arab Economic Council meeting in Riyadh Monday. (SPA)

numerous items on the agenda were four agreements on trade, double taxation, capital investment and the elimination of trade barriers among Arab countries.

He said that easing trade exchange was a step on the road to the Arab Commodity Common Market. Certain items would be selected and given such incentives to development as exemption from customs

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Qom awaits Khomeini's triumphant homecoming

TEHRAN, Feb. 26 (AP) — Ayatollah Khomeini will leave his temporary headquarters in Tehran Thursday to return in triumph to the holy city of Qom, fountainhead of Iran's Islamic revolution and the place he was arrested in 1964, it was officially announced Monday.

On his arrival in Qom, 154 kilometers south of Tehran, Khomeini will visit the holy shrine of Asrat Maasoum and make a major speech at an Islamic theological school, closed down 10 years ago because of the political activities of students against the monarchy.

On his arrival in Qom, 154 of Iran's majority Shi'ite Islamic leadership and Khomeini is expected to make his permanent home there, although his aides say he will still play a major role as spiritual leader of the revolution.

In a radio broadcast Sunday night, Khomeini was quoted as calling on the world to deliver to Iran the former Prime Minister Shahpour Bakhtiar "wherever the criminal is discovered."

Sources close to the Moroccan government and mem- (Continued on back page)

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U.S. summons Begin, Khalil

Israel cabinet weighs invitation

TEL AVIV, Feb. 26 (R) — Israeli leaders looked with some suspicion Monday on President Carter's invitation to a high-level meeting at Camp David to discuss problems blocking an Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty.

Official sources reported disquiet among several ministers about the likely contents of the report being brought back from Camp David by Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan after the latest round of talks on the treaty.

What roused concern in Israel was the absence of President Anwar Sadat from the invitation issued by Carter Sunday night.

This gave immediate rise to suspicion among many Israeli officials that the United States and Egypt had already agreed on new peace proposals and that Prime Minister Menachem Begin's presence was required at Camp David to approve decisions painful for the Israelis.

Dayan, due to fly home Monday, was due to report to the cabinet Tuesday. A decision on the invitation will be made then.

Despite heavy speculation in the Israeli press, nothing of substance has leaked out here.

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King Khaled receives Greek prime minister

RIYADH, Feb. 26 (SPA) — King Khaled Monday received Greek Prime Minister Constantine Karamanlis and his accompanying delegation.

For most among the topics of discussion was the Middle East problem, officials said. The Saudi delegation included Prince Abdullah, Prince Sultan, Prince Fahd, the King's adviser Dr. Rashad Pharaon, Minister of Industry and Electricity Dr. Ghazi Al-Gosaibi, and Sheikh Abdul Rahman Mansouri, deputy foreign minister for political affairs.

The Athens minister of foreign trade, petroleum ministry officials and the Greek ambassador made up the Greek delegation.

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Hanoi claims to repel major China offensive

BANGKOK, Feb. 26 (AP) — Vietnam Monday said Chinese infantry, backed by tanks and artillery, attacked a key border corridor from three directions but suffered 1,400 casualties in a Vietnamese counterattack.

Fighting was still going on in a Cam Duong area less than 250 kilometers northwest of Hanoi, the Voice of Vietnam broadcast said.

Cam Duong is located between the border town of Lao Cai, which is believed to have been captured by the Chinese in their eight-day-old border offensive.

Lao Cai and Cam Duong lie in the strategic transportation corridor which runs from the

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Maize	—
Barley	—
Rice	2226
Sugar	13740
Tea	—
Other Foods	9468
Fruit	—
Chicken	511
Meat	212
Eggs	—
Sub-Total for Foodstuffs:	26289
2. CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	
Cement	76191
Steel	32773
Timber	13937
General Building Materials	10853
Sub-Total for Construction Materials:	133754
3. VEHICLES	
Vehicles in Number	861
Vehicles in Tons	11778
4. LIVESTOCK	
Number of Head	14138
5. OTHER GENERAL CARGO	
TOTAL DISCHARGED:	125179
(A) 300,000 Tons Cargo	
(B) 861 Vehicles in Number	
(C) 14138 Head of Livestock	

SANA, Feb. 26 (Agencies) — North Yemen said Monday that South Yemeni forces backed by planes, tanks and heavy artillery have destroyed several towns and villages in its border region.

The statement by a foreign ministry spokesman was the first official acknowledgement by North Yemen that hostile troops had crossed the border during heavy fighting which began on Friday.

But the Aden-based Nationalist Democratic Front claimed Monday its forces were advancing on North Yemeni military positions after capturing the towns of Qatibah and Mores.

The foreign ministry statement, broadcast by Sanaa radio, said numerous civilians had been killed or wounded during the attack and that many others had fled.

The front also claimed that its forces advanced and laid siege to Jabel el Masser in the Ebb province, in another sector of the craggy mountainous border.

South Yemen said its forces crossed the border only after it had repulsed a North Yemeni attack to pursue the aggressors.

It said the message was handed over to Saddam Hussein, vice-chairman of the ruling Revolutionary Command Council (RCC), by visiting

Deputy Premier Yehia Jaghran who visited Abu Dhabi to explain the situation and deliver a message from North Yemeni President Ali Abdallah Saleh to Sheikh Zayed.

The two officials are on a Gulf tour on a similar mission.

In Baghdad, a North Yemeni envoy delivered a message Monday from President Saleh dealing with the current fighting on the border. The Iraq News Agency (INA) reported.

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Aid talks on Lebanon postponed

BEIRUL, Feb. 26 (SPA) — Arab finance and economy ministers have postponed a planned meeting this month to discuss the reconstruction of Lebanon.

Prime Minister Salim Al Hoss, however, was understood to be planning to discuss another date during his forthcoming visit to a number of Arab countries.

No explanation was given for the postponement.

Last fall's Arab summit in Baghdad decided to contribute an unspecified "multibillion dollar" financial assistance for the reconstruction of the war-torn country.

Saudi Arabia was reported to be the largest contributor towards the reconstruction scheme.

Cosmonauts board Salyut

LONDON, Feb. 26 (R) — The two Soviet cosmonauts aboard the Soyuz-32 spaceship Monday boarded the Salyut-6 orbiting research station after a successful docking operation, Tass news agency reported.



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Flour/Wheat	16,194
Maize	16,642
Rice	5,757
Sugar	10,238
Tea	3,143
Various Foodstuffs	49,583
Fruit	13,984
Poultry	5,512
Meat	63
Eggs	366
Sub-Total for Foodstuffs:	121,482
2. CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	
Cement	63,134
Steel	19,073
Timber	3,083
General Building Materials	69,361
Sub-Total for Construction Materials:	154,661
3. VEHICLES	
Vehicles in Number	3,921
Vehicles in Tons	62,341
4. LIVESTOCK	
Number of Head	40,048
5. OTHER GENERAL CARGO	
	86,862
TOTAL DISCHARGED:	
(A) 425,346	Tons Cargo
(B) 3,921	Vehicles in Numbers
(C) 40,048	Head of Livestock

France hoping visit of Solaim will help bridge wide trade gap

JEDDAH, Feb. 26 — Commerce Minister Dr. Soliman A. Solaim was due Monday to hold talks on economic cooperation with officials of France's Ministry of External Trade.

Solaim, who arrived in Paris Sunday, is accompanied by a delegation including Abdul Rahman Al-Zamel, deputy governor of the General Electricity Organization, the heads of the Riyadh, Jeddah and Damman Chambers of Commerce and three businessmen from each city.

From the other side, France will be hoping for results that may do something to redress the massive trade imbalance between France and Saudi Arabia, French Minister of External Trade Jean-François Deniau said in an interview published in Riyadh Monday.

"Our deficit amounts to 14.5 billion francs annually," Deniau told "Al-Riyad" newspaper. "Although French exports to the Kingdom rose by 30 per cent between 1974 and 1978 — from 500 million



Dr. Soliman A. Solaim

Saudi Arabia's economy and promote industry there," he said.

Dr. Solaim's visit, he said, would continue a dialogue launched by President Giscard d'Estaing's visit to Saudi Arabia in 1977 and King Khalid's return visit last year.

In addition to the annual ministerial meetings of the Saudi-French Joint Commission, Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs Prince Majid and Minister of Industry and Electricity Dr. Ghazi Al-Gosaibi have also visited France. Likewise, the then French Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Andre Rossy and minister of industry visited Saudi Arabia in 1977 and 1978.

Deniau added he was particularly encouraged that Dr. Solaim was accompanied on his visit by private-sector representatives.

France will therefore be seeking to increase its 4.5 share in the market — mainly through sales of advanced technology, he said. Electrical equipment is seen as an area of major growth.

Deniau said that his talks with Dr. Solaim, would include a comprehensive review of Saudi-French relations with special emphasis on economic cooperation.

"Within the framework of our cooperation, we hope to provide assistance to develop

King sees ulema

RIYADH, Feb. 26 — King Khaled Monday evening received the ulema and sheikhs as is the royal custom.



ON DUTY: Two members of the King's Royal Guard, armed with rifles and the traditional daggers, stand outside the King's palace in Riyadh.

Taiwanese aide to visit March 4 as guest of Naif

RIYADH, Feb. 26 — Chinese Minister without Portfolio K.T. Li will visit the Kingdom next Sunday at the invitation of Interior Minister Prince Naif, the Chinese Embassy said here Monday.

An Embassy official said Li, a former finance minister, will stay for five days and discuss "several subjects" with Saudi officials.

North Yemen said to test solar-powered phone units

RIYADH, Feb. 26 — North Yemen has carried out successful experiments on use of solar energy in powering tele-

phone units and water pumping and cooling. North Yemeni Minister of Communications Ahmad Al-Mansi said.

"Al-Riyad" newspaper quoted the Yemeni minister as saying that work was to begin Monday on the installation of 300 solar energy-powered telephone units as a first step toward a national telephone network.

Mansi added that the new booths will be easy to operate and maintain, and will be considerably cheaper to run than conventional systems.

The units will function off solar-charged batteries. These will provide power even if the sun does not appear for 10 consecutive days, and can stand temperatures as low as 40 degrees centigrade below zero and up to 90 degrees centigrade.

Other participants include the King Faisal Foundation, the Saudi Foreign Ministry's Department of Islamic Affairs, the Muslim World League, and state and private organizations from Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates.

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At the same time Saudi reserves abroad, vulnerable to exchange-rate fluctuations, were being reduced as the absorptive capacity of the domestic economy was being increased through public and private investment, he said.

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He also predicted that the new European Monetary System would be a stabilizing factor on world money markets which could only help countries like Saudi Arabia by setting the cost of imports for their development programs.

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Bhutto's cousin files challenge to court ruling

KARACHI, Feb. 26 (R) — former federal minister and son of ex-President Zulfikar Ali Bhutto has filed a petition in the Sindh High Court challenging a Supreme Court ruling which confirms the death sentence on the ex-Pakistani leader.

The petition was to receive preliminary hearing Monday.

Mumtaz Ali Bhutto, who is minister of communications between 1974 and 1977, said the ruling was made in absence of one of the judges, who had fallen ill, and therefore invalid.

The petition said that justice Shehzuiddin Ahmed was a member of the bench and has to give his judgement.

The Supreme Court had a majority for dismissing the appeal against the death sentence on charges of aiding the attempted assassination of a political op-

ponent four years ago.

Chief defense counsel Yahya Bakhtiar Monday cited numerous legal precedents which he said supported his argument that the court should reduce the sentence against the ex-premier.

Apart from the fact that the Supreme Court upheld the lower court sentence only by a thin majority, there had been cases in which a person not actually involved in a killing had received a lesser sentence, he said.

Bakhtiar argued Sunday that the court would have imposed a lesser punishment "if it had not been influenced by extraneous factors."

The court has yet to decide if it should admit the review petition for a full hearing which could last a few weeks.

Gen. Zia was Monday handed a clemency appeal signed by 275 members of the Turkish parliament.

Egypt gives Iraqi five-year term

CAIRO, Feb. 26 (AP) — An Iraqi national has received five year prison term by an Egyptian court for attempting to assassinate a Syrian political refugee in Cairo, the newspaper "Al Ahram" reported Monday. It said the accused, identified as Saleh Moissen Al Issawy, entered Egypt last year with a forged Kuwaiti passport supplied by the Iraqi intelligence.

Pakistan entry wins film prize

TAMPERE, Finland, Feb. 26 (R) — The grand prix at International Festival of Short Films has been won by a entry from Pakistan, Mustah Ali Gazdar's "They Are Killing The Horses." Other prizes in various classes went to short films from Holland, Britain, Canada and the United States.

Dacca president to visit Baghdad

DACCA, Feb. 26 (R) — President Ziaur Rahman of Bangladesh will pay a five-day visit to Iraq beginning next Wednesday, it has been announced in Dacca. He will stop at Mecca to perform the Umra, or minor pilgrimage. He will be accompanied by the foreign minister, Professor Mohammad Shamsul Huq, Planning and Finance Minister Dr. Mirzaur Huda, Social Welfare Minister S.A. Bari and Foreign Secretary S.A.M.S. Kabiria.



QUEEN'S TOUR: Queen Elizabeth, now in Dubai, watches a race being led to the starting gate at the horse and camel races held in her honor in Riyadh Feb. 18.

Nigeria offers to host talks on Chad conflict

KHARTOUM, Feb. 26 (AP)

— Nigeria has offered to host a reconciliation conference on Chad in its northern city of Kano, Sudanese President Felix Malloum and Prime Minister Gaafar Numeiri said Monday.

Numeiri said Nigeria also proposed the conference include representatives of rival parties in Chad, the Organization of African Unity and neighbors of the Central African country.

Numeiri, who according to the Sudanese News Agency was briefing his ministers on the Chadian situation, said the Kenyan proposal was conveyed to him last week by a Kenyan emissary.

A cease-fire has been reportedly holding in Chad after a week of fighting earlier this month between forces of President Felix Malloum and Prime Minister Hissene Habre.

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Queen inaugurates major Dubai projects

DUBAI, Feb. 26 (R) — Queen Elizabeth pressed a red button Monday to start an aluminum smelter in Dubai, unique because waste heat from the smelter's turbines will be used to desalinate seawater.

When the plant, costing more than \$500 million, is in full production it will yield 25 million gallons of fresh water daily, equal to Dubai's current needs.

"One of man's oldest dreams has been to turn the desert green," the queen said. "I am very glad today to be able to pay my tribute to a bold and imaginative industrial venture."

Then she pressed a button to start a cascade of water into a covered reservoir from the first of six desalination plants to go into operation.

Earlier the queen had unveiled a plaque at a huge \$1.6 billion port at Jebel Ali and Monday afternoon she was to open the world's biggest dry dock.

On a 19-day tour of the Arab states of the Gulf, the Queen flew to Dubai from Abu Dhabi, another of the seven United Arab Emirates.

The oasis of Al Ain, in the interior of Abu Dhabi, bristled with guns when the Queen saw the university there Sunday.

Some 200 camels ridden along the edge of the runway gave the Queen a spectacular send-off from Al Ain when she flew to Dubai, commercial capital of the United Emirates. There she attended evening at the Holy Trinity Anglican church.

The Queen's host, Sheikh Rashid Bin Said Al Maktoum, escorted her to the door of the church. Sheikh Rashid laid the cornerstone of the

church.

Jets bomb guerrilla base**Rhodesia opens Angolan front**

SALISBURY, Feb. 26 (AP) — Rhodesian warplanes struck into Angola for the first time ever Monday, hammering a black guerrilla training base, a Rhodesian military command announced here.

The two-sentence communiqué gave no details on the raid.

"At 0810 this morning, Rhodesian Air Force aircraft successfully attacked a very large ZIPRA terrorist training camp in Angola across the Zambian border. All our aircraft have

returned safely," the communiqué said.

Rhodesia's tiny air force, flying vintage jet bombers and fighters, has already hit at black guerrilla bases in neighboring Zambia and Mozambique in recent days as Rhodesia prepares for an election April 20 to bring black majority rule here.

The guerrillas, belonging to the so-called Patriotic Front, have vowed to sabotage the election process which will end 90 years of white domination here.

They say the blacks in the present transition government are white stooges and that whites will continue to exercise strong influence in the future black government.

Following the downing of an Air Rhodesia Viscount over Kariba on Sept. 12, the Rhodesians vowed to take revenge against Joshua Nkomo's Zambia-based guerrillas. Rhodesian warplanes have already struck three times into Zambia since the Viscount disaster.

But Angola's Marxist government, bolstered by some 20,000 Cuban troops and sophisticated Soviet jet fighters, had remained immune from the six-year-old guerrilla war in Rhodesia until Monday.

The communiqué did not say where the ZIPRA base was located in Angola, only identifying it as belonging to Nkomo's Zimbabwe African People's Union. ZIPRA is the abbreviation for the military wing of the organization, the Zimbabwe People's Revolutionary Army.

The Nkomo guerrillas are believed to be receiving military training from Cuban and possibly East German advisers in Angola.

Rhodesia has acknowledged at least 18 major raids into neighboring black states in the last two-and-a-half years, hitting about 50 guerrilla bases and killing over 3,000 black nationalists.

Opponents of the president's



SON OF SAM: David Berkowitz, the so-called Son of Sam killer, contemplates an answer during an interview at Attica prison in New York, Feb. 22. A guard watches in the background, as Berkowitz ascribes his actions to some "unknown urge to kill" rather than to the "demons" he has previously blamed. (AP photo)

Force advancing on Kampala**Amin vows to hold out against invaders**

NAIROBI, Feb. 26 (Agen- cies) — Ugandan President Idi Amin vowed Sunday night never to surrender to invasion forces surging into his country from neighboring Tanzania.

The president, quoted by Uganda Radio, said a 20,000 strong mixed force of Tanzanians, mercenaries and Ugandan exiles had captured the town of Masaka.

They were threatening Mbare and advancing towards the Ugandan capital of Kampala 130 kilometers to the north.

The radio said the local Ugandan population was fleeing in the direction of the capital to escape the fighting.

In Dar es Salaam, the Tanzania newspaper "The Daily News" said Idi Amin is trying to pass off an uprising within his own army as an invasion by Tanzanian forces.

The English language paper

said in an editorial: "The world will recall that soon after his usurpation of power, Amin started to blame every problem he was encountering on Tanzania and to use our country's name to explain atrocities he was committing against the people of Uganda."

"Every time there is a mutiny in any of his army units, the explanation is that it was fomented by Tanzanian forces," the newspaper charged.

"The Daily News" added: "Right now, Amin is again having serious internal difficulties. All over the country, units of his army are joining civilians in an uprising against his regime. But Amin is blaming Tanzania for his internal difficulties."

President Amin made his defiant statement to mediators from the Organization of African Unity (OAU) Sunday

night. Uganda Radio reported: "Despite the gravity of the situation, Uganda will never give up." It said the president "will remain in Kampala with his family to control the situation."

Fighting between Uganda and Tanzania has been going on for more than four months. OAU mediation efforts appeared to have failed at least for the moment.

Tanzania Sunday set four tough conditions before it would even consider OAU peace plans.

An aide for Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere said they included OAU condemnation of President Amin and compensation from Uganda for damage done in border fighting.

The war has escalated sharply in the last week and the

Ugandan leader has appealed over the national radio for reinforcements from friendly countries.

Reliable reports from Kampala said President Amin had become more secretive than ever about his movements.

The president, who has survived several assassination attempts since he seized power, is changing bases so often that even his closest aides are having trouble keeping track of him, the reports said.

Exile sources said a resistance organization known as the Save Uganda Movement (SUM), which claims to have knocked out Kampala's power supplies for several days recently, was continuing sabotage efforts.

Dr. Milton Obote, the former leader of Uganda who was overthrown by President Amin, broke eight years of silence last month and appealed to the army to overthrow the present government.

Dr. Obote lives in exile in Tanzania.

Trouble comes in threes for security guard

OLD BRIDGE, N.J., Feb. 26 (AP) — Joseph Mauriello has learned the hard way that trouble usually arrives in threes.

The 37-year-old security guard was heading home shortly after midnight Saturday from his shift at the Brown Boveri Corp. plant in North Brunswick when his car broke down here.

As he was pushing the vehicle onto the shoulder of the road, his 22-caliber pistol fell out of his coat pocket, hit the pavement and fired—hitting him in the ankle.

A passing motorist rushed him to South Amboy Memorial Hospital and Mauriello thought his bad luck was over for a while.

But as he was on the operating table Saturday, police announced he will be charged with carrying a concealed weapon without a permit.

Mauriello was listed in good condition Sunday.

China honors centenary of Einstein birth

TOKYO, Feb. 26 (AP) — A collection of articles to commemorate the centenary of the birth of Albert Einstein has been published in Shanghai, China's Hsinhua News Agency said Monday.

Hsinhua said that the volume includes translations of 28 selections from Einstein's works and 21 articles on the scientist's life contributed by family members, friends, colleagues, and scientists.



"GOLF UNDER GUN": This picture by Associated Press photographer Eddie Adams won the first prize in the News Features Category of the World Press Photo Contest in Amsterdam. A guard watches over golfers at a Salisbury, Rhodesia country club. (AP wirephoto)

China debate expected**Byrd urges vote on Woodcock**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26 (AP) — Senate majority leader Robert Byrd, urging senators to quickly confirm Leonard Woodcock as ambassador to China, says a delay would "give succor and comfort" to the Soviet Union.

Byrd was to call up the nomination Monday, setting the stage for the first Senate floor debate on President Jimmy Carter's recognition of the People's Republic of China and cancellation of a mutual defense treaty with Taiwan.

Opponents of the president's

so-called temporary debt limit are expected to debate on Woodcock's nomination into a forum to press for guarantees on Taiwan's security.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee approved a Taiwan security bill last week stating that a threatened attack on Taiwan would be "of grave concern to the United States." The measure, however, is not expected to reach the floor until Thursday.

"I hope the Woodcock nomination would not be held hostage to consideration of the Taiwan legislation," Byrd said Saturday. "Any delay on Woodcock's nomination would only be pleasing to the Soviet Union," which has opposed the new U.S. tie with China.

Meanwhile, the new budget-conscious House is getting its first chance to vote on deficit spending. On Wednesday it will be asked to approve a \$38 billion increase in the federal debt limit, raising it to \$836 billion through Sept. 30.

Although approval of the

so-called temporary debt limit is essential for the federal government to pay its bills, passage of such measures is often delayed by congressmen who object to the government's red-link budgets.

The current temporary debt limit expires March 31. With

Waldheim suggests ceasefire date for Namibia's election

UNITED NATIONS, Feb. 26 (AP) — Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim announced Monday he will set March 15 as the date for a cease-fire in Namibia and the arrival of U.N. units to supervise elections.

In a report to the Security Council Waldheim appealed to all parties to "exercise restraint and to refrain from action which might jeopardize the settlement" in the African territory's move to independence from South Africa.

Taking up the point that had been in recent dispute, Waldheim ruled that armed forces of both South Africa and the South West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO) should be confined to their bases during the election period.

He said SWAPO forces in neighboring countries are likewise to be restricted to their bases and that these countries are to ensure compliance with this provision.

"I attach special importance to the repeated assurances which I have received from the neighboring states to the effect that the provisions of the settlement are adhered to," Waldheim said.

Sunday night, the United Nations' peace plan for Namibia appeared near collapse following a top level meeting of the South African government.

In other floor action, the House is expected to approve a bill restoring the president's power to waive special duties levied against imports subsidized by foreign governments. The bill's outlook in the Senate is less certain.

European countries have threatened to torpedo world trade talks if the waiver authority is not restored.

one million inhabitants came just hours before the first of 7500 U.N. peace-keeping troops were scheduled to arrive there.

Foreign Minister R.F. Botha met Sunday with Prime Minister Pieter Botha after the prime minister had returned from a visit to the territory.

Controversy over whether black nationalist guerrillas who have been fighting South African troops in the territory for the last 12 years, could establish formal bases there during the U.N. peacekeeping mission, appeared to be the cause for this latest development.

Soviet troops reported sent into Bulgaria

VIENNA, Feb. 26 (R) — NATO governments are checking reports that the Soviet Union has sent land and air forces to Bulgaria, western diplomats have revealed.

The reported troop movements have not been confirmed, but informed sources in Balkan capitals said rumors of a Soviet "military presence" in Bulgaria had circulated for at least two weeks.

Diplomats said it was possible that Soviet-Bulgarian maneuvers were being prepared, or that the move was intended as a show of force connected with the Chinese-Vietnamese border fighting.

Bulgaria, the Soviet Union's closest ally in Eastern Europe, controls key access routes to Romania and Yugoslavia, both independent Communist states which have clashed with Moscow on critical policy issues.

Duchess of Windsor doing well

PARIS, Feb. 26 (AP) — The Duchess of Windsor, recovering from surgery Saturday for an intestinal blockage, was in "absolutely satisfactory" condition throughout Sunday and during the night of Sun-

day. The immediate consequences of the operation on the 82-year-old Duchess "are thus favorable," the bulletin said.

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W. Indies scents Super test victory

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Feb. 26 (AP)—The West Indies had victory in its sights at the end of the third day of the first World Series Cricket Super Test against Australia here Friday after a day in which its home side outplayed its opponent in every department of the game.

Scores at the close of play were West Indies, 188 and 481 and Australia 106 and 91 for four.

The West Indies held the initiative at the start, resuming its second innings at 228 for five, already 310 ahead. A sixth wicket partnership of 26 at better than a run a minute.

Schoolgirl clips

Own swim mark

ERTH, Feb. 26 (R)—Australia's Tracey Wickham nashed her own world record in the 1,500-meters freestyle in 8:30 second in heavy rain at the Australian Swimming championships here.

And within minutes of climbing out of the water with a time of 16 minutes 6.63 seconds to her credit, a fresh and relaxed Wickham, 16, was back at the starting block 20 seconds more off the time for a grueling event.

Europe soccer roundup

England

ONDON, Feb. 26 (Agen)—Drawn for the quarterfinals of the Football Association Cup Monday.

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note between captain Clive Lloyd and Andy Roberts, left the Australians dispirited.

Left an hour and 50 minutes batting before the end of play, the Australians were in difficulty against the West Indian fast bowlers who had routed them in the first innings. They lost their first four batsmen—including the experienced Chappell brothers, Ian and Greg—before stumps were drawn.

Even though the Australians were up against it from the start, they were ground into the dust by the flawless batting of Lloyd and Roberts.

Lloyd, a gangling, 35-year-old left-hander, hit the ball with the fearsome power for which he has become famous in 12 years of international cricket.

Starting at 54, he went on to hit 197, an innings which included 24 fours. It was his first century in seven Super tests for the West Indies under the World Series banner.

Roberts, a fast bowler who has never rated more than a useful lower order batsman, batted with complete assurance for his 84. He clouted two sixes and 11 fours in his highest score in representative cricket and was only out to a brilliant run out by Trevor Chappell.



ATTEMPT: Veteran Clive Lloyd goes down on one knee attempting a sweep. The W. Indies captain hit form in Packer cricket for the first time with a magnificent 197.

Turnbull scrapes 1st win of year

DETROIT, Michigan, Feb. 26 (AP)—It took a tie-breaker, but Wendy Turnbull survived 12 double faults to capture her first top prize this year on the women's professional tennis circuit Sunday, defeating Virginia Ruzici 7-5, 1-6, 7-6, in the singles final of the \$150,000 Detroit tournament.

The title is worth \$30,000. After splitting sets, a 6-6 deadlock in the third set was settled by a 12-point tie-breaker which Turnbull won 7-4.

The 26-year-old Australian, seeded No. 5, reached the final with an upset Saturday night over top-seeded Martina Navratilova, 6-4, 1-6, 6-4.

It was the first tournament this year in which Navratilova did not reach the singles final.

Korchnoi wins

Sao Paolo title

SAO PAOLO, Brazil, Feb. 26 (AP)—International Grand Master Victor Korchnoi won the third City of Sao Paolo International Chess Tournament which ended here early Sunday morning.

In his last game, Korchnoi, a Russian exile who plays for Switzerland, tied Romania's Florin Gheorghiu, and that was enough to give him 10 points and victory in the 13-game tournament.

Gibson wins 2nd set

ST. PETERSBURG, Florida, Feb. 26 (AP)—Persistent rains forced postponement Sunday of the final round of the \$75,000 LPGA Orange Blossom tournament. Jane Blalock leads the event by three strokes.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26 (AP)—It was supposed to be an old fashioned Texas shootout, the winner being the team that was quicker on the draw. Instead it was the San Antonio Spurs' much-maligned defense that defeated the Houston Rockets.

"They can say what they want about our defense, but we just shut them down completely in the first half," said San Antonio coach Doug Moe, whose team broke out to a 65-44 halftime lead and went on to beat the Rockets, 127-107, Sunday.

The victory extended San Antonio's lead over Houston to three games in the National Basketball Association's Central Division.

In other NBA games, the New Jersey Nets beat the New York Knicks, 116-102, the Philadelphia 76ers defeated the Denver Nuggets, 119-111, the Kansas City Kings trimmed the Seattle SuperSonics, 114-106, the Washington Bullets topped the Golden State Warriors, 99-89, the Cleveland Cavaliers beat the Chicago Bulls, 117-108, the Portland Trail Blazers defeated the Detroit Pistons, 126-119, in overtime. The San Diego Clippers

3 ahead in Central Division

Spurs maligned defense shuts out Rockets

with 10 minutes to play before running off bursts of 14 and nine consecutive points to win. Julius Erving had 12 points in the stretch run for the 76ers and Darryl Dawkins nine.

Kansas City posted its 13th straight home-court victory and widened its Midwest Division lead over Denver to seven games as Otis Birdsong scored 34 points.

Philadelphia trailed, 100-85.

NBA standings

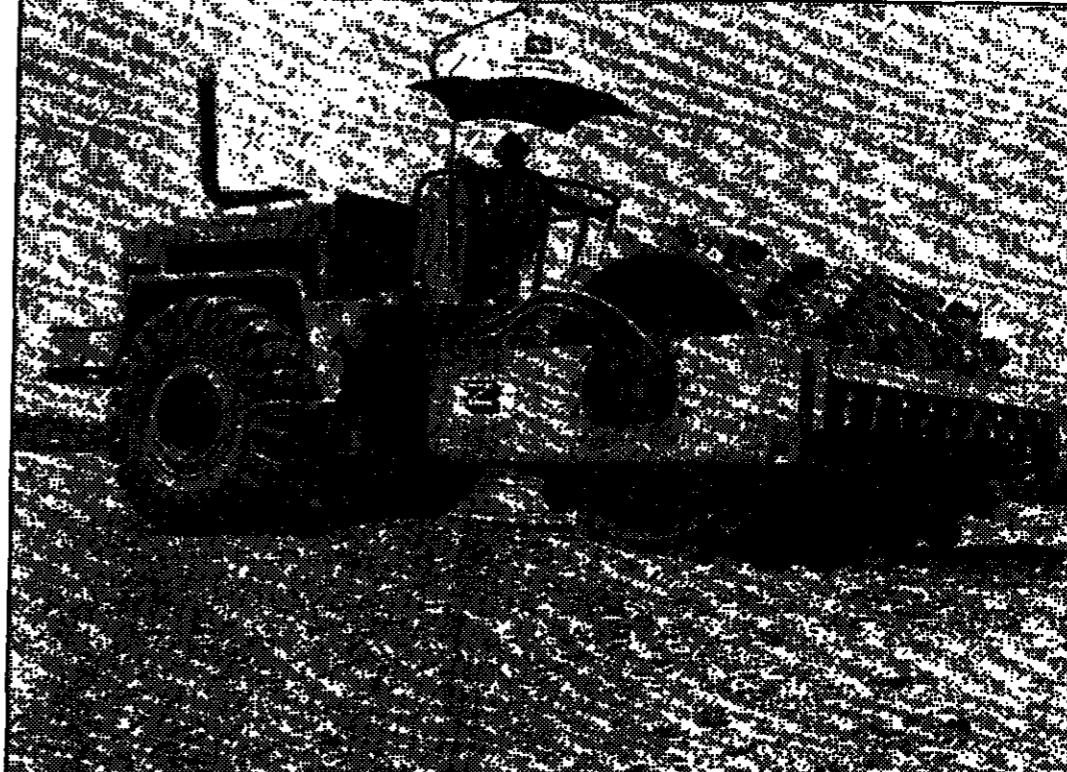
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New York	26	38	.406	17	
Boston	24	36	.400	17	
Central Division					
San Antonio	37	25	.597	—	
Houston	33	27	.550	3	
Atlanta	13	29	.332	4	
Cleveland	26	36	.419	11	
Detroit	23	38	.377	13	
New Orleans	21	43	.328	17	
Western Conference					
Kansas City	40	22	.645	—	
Denver	34	30	.531	7	
Indiana	26	36	.419	14	
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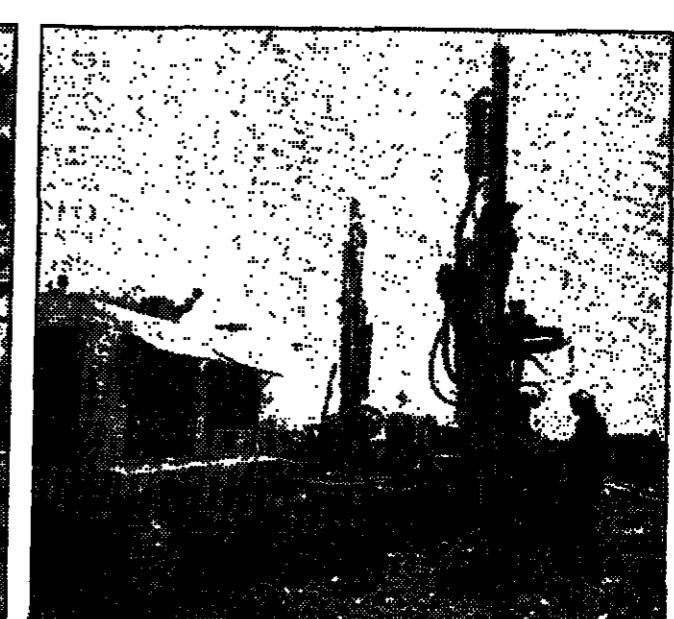
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ARAB MEDIATION!

The Arab world does not seem to have taken any serious steps to stop the fighting between the two Yemeni republics which has now reached deep into North Yemen. South Yemen claims to have scored notable victories against its sister state with whom it was negotiating full scale unity only a few months ago.

When in 1972 the two republics went to war, the Arab League was quick to mediate and bring about a ceasefire which later developed into an attempt to unify the two countries. But not this time. The Arab League has been considerably weakened in the wake of the Egyptian initiative and the Camp David accords. Because of its weakness a large number of Arabs are being killed and vast areas devastated in a war that does not seem likely to end without a concerted Arab effort to stop it.

It is a sad reflection on the other 20 Arab states that they cannot take effective action to bring an end to a bloody conflict like this. It is not as if we do not have enough to worry about already.

The two Yemeni peoples, divided by mere political ideologies, have no quarrel with each other and the last thing they wanted was another war. But their leaders are at loggerheads and their regimes are as far apart as they can be. Only determined, Arab mediation may be able to end the conflict. If this is not forthcoming, outside powers may get involved and end it as they see fit.

INTER-ARAB TRADE

The Arab Economic Council which opened in Riyadh yesterday is likely to come out with concrete proposals to increase trade among the member states of the Arab League. As revealed by the Saudi Minister of Finance and National Economy, inter-Arab trade forms only two per cent of Arab imports.

The implication is that the Arab states could increase their trade exchanges while restricting imports from outside the area to those which they cannot produce or obtain from fellow members. But this is easier said than done. Political and ideological differences in the past impeded the flow of goods and investments. Wholesale nationalizations in some Arab countries in the 1960s prevented the richer ones from investing in the region. Understandably they remitted their surplus earnings to the West where, at least, they were not worried that quarrels with their leaders would lead to loss of property.

Fortunately, the political and social paroxysms of the 1950s and 1960s are no longer as frequent or as pronounced as they used to be. Most Arab states have either abandoned the so-called scientific socialism of the era which was a nice euphemism for Marxism, or denationalized many of the farms and industries. They had to do this as a result of the phenomenal rise in Arab oil earnings which groped for outlets but found few safe ones nearby.

Of the draft proposals before the conference two deserve special attention. One deals with the flow of capital and the other with increased trade in preference to imports. The first one sounds attractive because of the obvious need for it in many of the member states who possess a good potential for development but have little money to carry it out. They will have to assure capital owners in the richer states that their money would be safe from arbitrary sequestration or outright confiscation and this will take time. But increasing inter-Arab trade should present no serious obstacles as it is a straight-forward commercial transaction if the price is fair and the quality good. Even if prices are higher than those of other countries, preference should be given to Arab goods. In the long run, prices will become more competitive with increased production and improved manufacturing techniques.

The Arab world has been aspiring to some kind of political integration since the fall of the Muslim empire and the advent of foreign imperialism. But this goal has proved elusive and, apart from coordinating policy towards the common enemy, little progress has been recorded.

BHUTTO

The chorus of world leaders urging Gen. Zia to spare the life of former prime minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto is rapidly reaching deafening proportions.

The former premier has been convicted of conspiring to assassinate a political opponent.

Bhutto has denied the charge vehemently. He may be right in that he did not order the murder personally. Overzealous disciples may have done it to please him. If anything at all, Bhutto may have been guilty of a cover-up, not unlike Nixon.

It is now up to General Zia to decide, having satisfied his conscience that he gave his adversary all the available legal opportunities to prove his innocence. It is also true that the General let the world see that the due process of law operated freely.

We hope that General Zia will now rise far above his personal dislike for a condemned man who has had more than his share of suffering already. Besides, it is uncertain that his death would solve any problem for the country. Indeed, his execution could rend the country asunder yet again. Bhutto saved Pakistan from further fragmentation in the aftermath of the Bangladesh trauma.

General Zia has already proved to his people of Pakistan that no one is above the law.

This is the benefit of the whole exercise and Bhutto has had enough.



A North-South showdown

By Geoffrey Lean

LONDON —

Militant demands from the world's developing nations for a bigger share of industry have brought a critical phase to the North-South dialogue on a new deal for trade and aid.

The demands have just been formulated by a meeting of ministers of the Group of 77 (actually consisting of 117 developing countries) in Arusha, Tanzania. They want a massive transfer of industry to the Third World and big increases in aid.

This has been done, for example, in the Swedish textile industry, and the approach is widely supported by development experts. Studies show that the number of jobs gradually lost through such a process would be tiny compared to those routinely lost through trade cycles, modernization and productivity gains, while extra employment would be created through increasing exports to Third World products.

With unexpected unity, the poor nations all agreed at the meeting to give at least \$1 million each to a common fund for stabilizing the prices of the commodities that make up their main exports. (OPEC has already agreed to pay the poorest countries' contributions for them.)

The proposal for a common fund dominated the last UNCTAD conference three years ago, when poor countries presented it as a test of the good faith of the industrialized world.

But although rich and poor have agreed that there should be a fund in principle, its practical form is still disputed and the rich have insisted that it should be much smaller and narrower in scope than the poor originally proposed.

The whole question is being discussed again at a special conference in Geneva this week (February 26—March 2) and the decision of poor countries to put their money where their mouth is (which will provide a third of the capital needed to start the fund) is intended to increase the pressure on the rich. — (OFNS)

The new Third World package also calls for the United

States, West Germany and Japan, who provide comparatively low proportions of their GNP in aid, to increase their assistance by a quarter during each of the next three years. The U.S. Congress, at least, is thought unlikely to agree.

All rich countries are called upon to reach the goal of 0.7 of their GNP agreed by the U.N. in 1970, but influential British officials dismiss this as "targetry."

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"Al-Nadwa" wondered whether Ayatollah Khomeini would be able to steer Iran clear of the extreme right and left in the country. It said those groups are trying to take advantage of the Ayatollah's successful opposition to the Shah's regime by riding the crest of the popular revolution. The stability of Iran depends on the ability of Prime Minister Mehti Bazar-gan to maintain his influence and face the many challenges confronting the country. One of the problems, the paper noted, is that the coalition of right and left which feels that it contributed substantially to the overthrow of the Shah and the destruction of his government and institutions now thinks that in consequence it should share in the fruits of victory — specifically a place in the government. But in reality, the paper said, the left and right-wing groups are aiming at throttling the govern-

ment in order to obtain sufficient leverage to decide its internal and external policies. This is, of course, the aim of the Marxists and it remains to be seen if Khomeini will be able to save the country from another near-civil war in which the extreme left would become Iran's new enemy.

The Greek Prime Minister's visit to Saudi Arabia comes at a time of Greece's attempts to solve its economic problems by various means including membership of the European Economic Community and reactivating its relations with others in the region. Saudi Arabia occupies a prominent position in this regard, according to "Okaz" editorial.

The visit is also concerned with the Greek-Turkish dispute which, viewed in a larger perspective, is closely related with the Middle East problem which in turn influences the course of events in the eastern Mediterranean. And the visit

is useful also in that it opens new avenues for political and economic bilateral cooperation. Greece realizes that the fate of the Arab people is inter-related with that of the rest of the region. That is why it supports the Arab rights to Palestine and believes that no peace will prevail in the Middle East without a just solution of the Palestinian problem.

Commenting on the current meeting of the Arab Economic Council in Riyadh, "Al-Medina" said many things can be accomplished in the service of Arab economic cooperation. Some states have huge manpower reserves but no work for them while there are others with vast farmlands but no money to develop them. Why isn't surplus Arab money invested in such pursuits, the paper asked. At the same time, it added, Arab capital should be given sufficiently strong guarantees against nationaliza-

Weighing Bhutto's fate

By Peter Niesewand

ISLAMABAD —

Pakistan's military ruler, General Zia-ul-Haq, is showing the first signs of hesitation about hanging Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, the man he deposed as prime minister in a coup 18 months ago.

Zia has now decided he cannot take the decision alone, but will accept a consensus verdict from his two colleagues in the Military Council, together with Bhutto's political opponents and bureaucrats in the 23-man cabinet.

Zia has also decided to allow a further seven days grace for mercy appeals from Bhutto, his immediate family, or any Pakistani. This period will not begin until the final judicial remedy has been exhausted. Appeals from foreign heads of state, however, will be counted as mercy petitions, and will be considered.

Zia's change of heart, prompted by foreign concern and the possibility that the decision might lead to violence and bloodshed, was signalled during a recent interview with CBS television.

Asked if the former prime minister's fate now rested solely in his hands, General Zia replied: "I will not keep this prerogative to myself. Whenever such an appeal (for mercy) comes, a couple of appeals are already with me. I am going to put it up before the panel of the entire military hierarchy, and I am going to put it before the total cabinet. Let this be not a unilateral decision by me because people might think that I am

against Mr. Bhutto and I have involved him in this case, therefore I am deciding." "I am going to take this case of clemency and the appeal of Mr. Bhutto, applied on behalf of Mr. Bhutto, to the military hierarchy, the Military Council, get their

verdict on the subject, and also before the cabinet. Let the cabinet decide if and when the appeal comes whether it should be accepted or rejected."

General Zia said he would accept a majority decision. "The majority decision is considered to be the correct verdict," he said.

General Zia's headquarters has received hundreds of telegrams and letters from Pakistanis at home and abroad — most of them reportedly urging that Bhutto be hanged. The pro-hanging lobby is said to be running at more than a hundred to one.

One of the telegrams reads: "Pakistanis in Washington, New York, Houston, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Chicago welcome and support the decision of supreme court about Bhutto. Please do not delay implementation of justice. Bhutto must face death like other criminals." The telegram was signed by the president of the Overseas Forum, United States.

The decision on Bhutto's fate will be taken after the supreme court has disposed of the review petition, now being argued by the defense team. This changes that the four judges who upheld the high court verdict and sentence had made grave errors on the face of the record, which resulted in a serious miscarriage of justice. The seven-man bench convened on Saturday to begin hearing arguments.

Bhutto's counsel, Yahya Bakhtiar, has said he hopes to take two or three months to argue his various points, but fears that the court will cut him short.

The issue of mercy will then wait for a joint decision by politicians, bureaucrats and military men.

The Military Council con-

France in Chad

By Paul Webster

PARIS —

President Valery Giscard d'Estaing has implicitly admitted that 19 years of French military and political backing for a strong centralized government in the African desert State of Chad has failed, but France still intends to have a say in the future of its former colony.

The admission was made during a press conference when the French President was questioned on the inconclusive fighting between President Felix Malloum, who is rarely out of battle dress, and a rebel army led by the Prime Minister Hissene Habre.

President Giscard said that thought must now be given to "restructuring" the government system in the sprawling, landlocked country of 4.5 million people which borders Libya, Sudan, the Central African Empire, Nigeria and Niger. He spoke of an eventual federal constitution in which all seven major ethnic groups would be given a share of power.

France has no intention of withdrawing the 2,200 French Foreign Legionnaires, marines and paratroopers who are the key to stability in Chad, along with the 400 French officers in the Chad Army.

Their role in the aftermath

of the week-long clash between Chad's leaders was underlined by the fact that the French commanding officer, General Louis Forest, negotiated the ceasefire. At the same time, French troops were alerted to withstand a threat from Libyan-backed guerrilla forces moving towards the capital, N'Djamena.

Habre's 1,000 rebels of his Army of the North, the FAN, took most of the capital in a battle which left hundreds of Africans and five Europeans dead. President Malloum, who is rarely out of battle dress, in contrast to the casual clothes of his Prime Minister, took refuge with the French while considering whether to resign.

Although regular French forces did not intervene, their presence was the key to the battle's outcome in which Malloum is still, technically at least, head of state.

Their protection of the 3,700 French civilians in Chad, most of whom live in a suburban area of the capital, prevented the Prime Minister's troops from capturing key government buildings including the Presidential palace and the radio station.

In the rural areas, where Frolinat or FAN guerrillas now control two-thirds of the country, French soldiers in the main

are many other impediments to the subversion of the little ones.

The Indochina war is a glaring picture of a conflict between the big camps, the paper said, and the small states have to get out of the big powers' control in order to live their own life independently and put an end to all kinds of dependence on the bigger ones.

Commenting on the plight of the smaller nations, "Al-Bilad" said it is high time they rid themselves of all kinds of bondage to the bigger ones. Recent events in the Indochina

NO PARKING

(Al-Jazirah)

An improbable patron for African art in Washington

By Sarah Booth Courcy
WASHINGTON—The way

Robbins tells it, the

diverse institution has a

museum because the U.S.

Department took away

parking place.

Robbins got mad, quit his

as a USIA foreign service

and went on to found

Museum of African Art.

14 years, he has acquired

the museum art a real

valued at \$10 million.

three years ago, he be-

to worry that after he was

no one else would spend

ours a day fundraising for

museum. So he talked the

hispanic and the Congress

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cted to appropriate \$1

on for the museum's

tenance some time soon.

an unusual story and

Robbins is an unusual

When he started his mu-

in 1964, he'd never been

to Africa, never worked in a

museum, never been in the

arts or politics, or raised mo-

Robbins arouses strong

reactions.

Smithsonian secretary Dil-

ton Ripley says, "He's the best

director of this size museum

in the country."

The late Sen. Hubert Humphrey called him "a national

treasure."

His friends say Robbins is

persistent and singleminded.

Others who know him use

further words: "worrywart,"

"pushy," "monomaniac."

Anna Dickinson, program

director, is the highest ranking

black person on his staff of

43 (40 per cent black). She

says: "He's an eccentric, a

character, demanding."

Robbins' museum is staffed

into nine small gingerbread

bay window townhouses three

blocks from the Capitol. There

are about 100,000 visitors a

year, three-fourths of them

black.

Inside, green tropical plants

recall the rain forests of Afri-

ca. From every wall, the ma-

gical images of Africa call for

your attention—1.5-meter high

polychrome masks with straw

beards; tiny gold weights in

the shape of men; aerodynamic

antelope heads; drums carved

into fantastic animals; cere-

monial stools for royal seats; costumes recalling desert and sky.

Sliding glass doors from the

galleries open onto a courtyard

painted with symbols of the

N'Debele people of southwest

Africa.

Robbins' office is upstairs in

the second row house. He sits

behind a contemporary desk in a comfortable brown-walled bay-windowed room. On the

shelves are books on art, on

protocol, on Africa—"Who's

Who" ("Because I'm in it," says

the city is shown.

Chapter Five deals most in-

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and culture of early Jerusalem,

tracing philological roots of

common words and expressions

to proto-Arabic and ancient

costume to contemporary Be-

niot dress.

Chapter Two, on modern

Jerusalem, sets the city in its

topographical context. It shows

statistically that, until 1948,

Jewish ownership was only 4

per cent of the Old City and 17

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Iran export halt squeezes N.Z.

Northeast U.S. faces energy crisis

BOSTON, Mass. Feb. 26 (AP) — The shortage of Iranian oil has forced Massachusetts Governor Edward King to ask President Jimmy Carter to declare an energy emergency in the state to allow the burning of coal and other high sulfur fuels without violating federal pollution restrictions.

In a letter to the president, King said the State Office of Energy Resources has found that shortages of low sulfur fuel oils are developing rapidly because of the halt to Iranian oil exports.

"Several major oil companies in the region have already announced production cutbacks, curtailments of deliveries and allocations of contract volumes," the letter said.

Should Carter declare an energy emergency, air pollution restrictions could be relaxed.

King said urban areas would continue burning the lowest sulfur fuels available, but he asked that rural areas be allowed to burn the remaining fuels, including coal.

And Sunday Trans World Airlines canceled six of its 53 flights out of Kansas City because of jet fuel shortages. The cancellations, the air-

line's first since the widespread oil shortages in the West caused by the Arab embargo of 1973, resulted from reductions in fuel from Texaco and Champion, major TWA suppliers, said Larry Hilliard, director of corporate communications for the airline.

Texaco and other suppliers reported earlier this month

they were experiencing spot shortages as a result of the cutoff of oil from Iran and a travel boom that hit the nation's airlines last summer as deregulation led to reduced fares.

And Monday, in an initial move to reduce fuel consumption by 10 per cent, New Zealand decided to ban gasoline sales between noon Saturday and 6 a.m. Monday.

Other restrictions imposed immediately include an end to self-service coin-operated pumps and a restriction on take-away sales to cans holding not more than nine liters.

Energy Minister Bill Birch estimated the measures will reduce fuel use by four per cent. He said the public has been asked to impose voluntary restrictions on leisure travel to help conserve energy.

Birch said New Zealand's gasoline stocks had drifted downward as the result of the deferral of two shipments of a refinery feedstock for gasoline production of 67,500 tons.

Prices on the spot market were about double the cost of term contract supplies.

Birch said that in view of the uncertain situation in Iran on fuel supplies it was not possible to guess with confidence the rate of a fuel supply from that country.

New Zealand is thought to have embarked on the restrictions in preparation for a meeting of the International Energy Agency in Paris Friday.

Israel raises gas price after Iranian oil cutoff

TEL AVIV, Feb. 26 (AP) — Hefty fuel price increases were posted Monday, raising gasoline to \$2.35 per gallon and angling accelerated inflation.

The labor federation, the Histadrut, was considering a "warning" general strike to protest government economic policies.

The cost of living index rose 4.8 per cent in 1978. With a 4.9 per cent jump in January, inflation is approaching 80 per cent at a compound annual rate.

Motorists caused traffic jams around gasoline stations Sunday evening after Israel Television broadcast word of the price rises that took effect at midnight: a 39 per cent increase for 94-octane gasoline from \$1.70 to \$2.35 per gallon, and average 32 per cent increases for diesel fuel, cooking gas and crude oil.

With the stop to oil imports from Iran, Israel is paying as much as \$22 a barrel to crude on the limited world oil market, officials said. The big increases in fuel prices to consumers have a dual purpose: to reduce fuel consumption and to soak up cash from consumers who, according to the government, are causing inflation with their free spending.

Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

Authority	Description	No. of Tender	Price SR 500	Closing Date
• Governorate of Hail,	Building for three governorate centers in Al-Ghazzaz, Al-Hair and Al-Ba'ayeth	28	1000	Mar. 26
• Municipality of Atba	Asphalting and general illumination 94/95, No. 47/8/B	26/9/98	150	Apr. 16
• Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs	Fencing of Al-Bir graveyard in Thaqeeb	"	500	Apr. 17
• " " "	Temporary asphalting of some streets in Jaradiyah and Jadaa villages in Santa	"	500	Apr. 21
• " " "	Fencing of five graveyards in villages under Santa municipality	"	200	Apr. 22
• " " "	Fencing of graveyards in the Sabha and Hida Al-Rushdan villages in Al-Kharj	"	150	Apr. 23
• " " "	Fencing of graveyards in Umm Taduh and Bathria in Shamasiah	"	150	Apr. 24
• " " "	Fencing of two graveyards in Qaissouna village in Shamasiah	"	150	Apr. 24
• " " "	Fencing of Shaberna graveyard in Dawadmi	"	150	Apr. 28



PORTS AUTHORITY

KING ABDUL AZIZ PORT
DAMMAM

SHIP MOVEMENTS UP TO THE MORNING OF

CHANGES PAST 24 HRS. DATE: 29.3.1359/26.2.1979
TIME: 0700 HRS.

Vessels Name of Working the Ship Agent Type of cargo Arrival Date

Berth No.		Arrival Date		
1	BARON PENTLAND	JULF	BULK WHEAT	24/2/1979
2	MARLENE'S	SALTE	CONTAINERS	25/2/1979
7	IBN MALIK	KANO	GENERAL/CONTAINERS	24/2/1979
8	KOTA MAWAR	GULF	LOADING URRA	25/2/1979
9	ILKONPOLY	KANO	GENERAL	22/2/1979
11	FIDES PROGRESS	UAR	WHEAT IN BAGS	23/2/1979
14	SEASIDE	LAUNCO	GENERAL	22/2/1979
16	ALUDRA	SALTE	GENERAL	24/2/1979
17	EVRYALOS	BARBER	STEEL BARS	22/2/1979
19	STAR EMERALD	ALSAADA	GENERAL	24/2/1979
21	ARABIAN LULUH	BARBER	CEMENT SILO VSL	28/10/1978
22	PEACE HAYRE	UAR	RO/RO CONTAINER	25/2/1979
27	ARIES CREEF	KANO	LIVE SHEEP	22/2/1979
28	CLIMAX	ORRI	GENERAL/STEEL	22/2/1979
	KING GUARDIAN			

Vessels Working at Anchorage

AL SOLAIBAH	KANO	GENERAL	22/2/1979
2-Recent Arrivals			

MARLENE'S	SALTE	CONTAINERS	25/2/1979
TARONGA	BARBER	GENERAL/CONTAINERS	25/2/1979
KOTA MAWAR	GULF	TO LOAD URRA	25/2/1979
STRATEKES	KANO	GENERAL	25/2/1979
FOSS HAYRE	LACCO	RO/RO/CONTAINERS	25/2/1979
ARIES CREEF	KANO	LIVE SHEEP	25/2/1979

3-Vessels Expected With in 24 Hours

BRAN ISLAND	SALTE	GENERAL	25/2/1979
IMPERIAL STAR	UAR	GENERAL	
AMBER	KANO	CULF	
KOTA SEJAH	GULF	GOSAIBI	
SPRUCE	U.E.P.		
IRIS	KANO		
MAX RECHPIETSCH	KANO		
TOMAS MAERSK	KANO		
PAG	KANO		
PATRICIA M	GOSAIBI		
NEW EXCELLENCE	ALIREZA	SEA	
KHALIJ EXPRESS	ALIREZA	SEA	
BARGE QN-116	BARBER	BARBER	

4-Tonages Discharged:(Freight Tons): 46,500

5-WAITING TIME: NIL

Note: Importers having goods on the above mentioned ships should complete their formalities as soon as possible. For any inquiries please contact the Shipping Agents.



British expected Concorde cancellation

LONDON, Feb. 26 (R) — Iran's national airline Iran Air said in Tehran it would never buy the Anglo-French Concorde.

British Aerospace after the recent political crisis, makers of Concorde, said in a statement that Iran Air had ordered two supersonic Concordes and that the company would not be left with superfluous Concordes as airlines were interested in leasing Concordes and the state-owned British Airways, which already has five, might be taking two more, British Aerospace said.

Frozen U.S. assets discussed

Blumenthal talks China trade

PEKING, Feb. 26 (Agencies)

United States Treasury Secretary Michael Blumenthal began talks with Chinese officials Monday on widening

trade and financial links.

He is trying to reach agreement on the future of American assets frozen in China since the Communist take-over in 1949 and Chinese assets later blocked in the United States.

Settlement of the problem will allow the normalization of trade links between the two countries, which established full diplomatic relations in January.

There are nearly 400 claims for property by both businesses and individuals in the United States.

The largest is a claim of \$53.8 million by the Boise Cascade Corp. for losses resulting from the takeover of its subsidiary, the Shanghai Power Co. China has a counterclaim against the United States totalling about \$80 million.

Blumenthal opened talks Monday on the claims issue, as well as other economic matters, with Yu Qiu-ti, a vice-premier

in 1972, under the Shah, Iran Air signed an agreement to buy two Concordes, with an option to purchase a third.

Iran Air also said it had ordered six European A300 Airbuses but "might only take up three or four of them." It also seemed likely that the planned purchase of American Boeing 747 jumbo jets would be curtailed.

"Everything will depend on what the government decides," an airline representative said.

(In Paris, Airbus Industrie, the French-based consortium building the wide-bodied European airliner, said, "we have a firm contract with Iran Air to provide six planes with options for three more. We are continuing to have contacts with them.")



PORTS AUTHORITY

JEDDAH ISLAMIC PORT

SHIP MOVEMENTS UP TO THE MORNING OF

26TH FEBRUARY 1979

1-VESSELS	DISCHARGING BERTH VESSEL	AGENT	CARGO	ARR.DATE
IA	IBN TUFAIL	KANO	TO LOAD MTY	25/2/1979
1	MINI LAKE	KOHALO	CONTAINERS	26/2/1979
2	SAUDI PRINCE	BAABOUD	OIL	25/2/1979
3	MINI LAKE	SCS	GENERAL	26/2/1979
4	SAUDI PRINCE	SCS	BAGGED BARLEY	24/2/1979
5	MINI LAKE	ATTAR	GEN/LOAD MTY	25/2/1979
6	MINI LAKE	KANO	CONTAINERS	26/2/1979
7	BLUE OCEAN	BAABOUD	GENERAL	25/2/1979
8	DONG WOON	SCS	BAGGED BARLEY	24/2/1979
9	CORINA	ATTAR	GEN/LOAD MTY	25/2/1979
10	QUEEN EMERALD	A.E.T.	CARS	26/2/1979
11	QUEEN EMERALD	ANSCO	REBAR/GEN/TIMBER/	22/2/1979

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EXCHANGE RATES AND LONDON GOLD

NEW YORK

	February 23	Range	February 23
USA	2,809.5-2,810.5		
Canada	2,482.5-2,484.5	2,480.5-2,486.0	21,10-20,10
France	8,200.0-8,205.0	8,180.0-8,210.0	10,10-10,10
Germany	55.75-55.85	55.75-55.85	10,10-10,10
Italy	1,697.75-1,699.75	1,694.75-1,699.75	12,35-12,35
Holland	4,618.5-4,620.5	4,615.5-4,621.5	10,10-10,10
Japan	1,470.0-1,471.0	1,467.0-1,472.0	10,10-10,10
W. Germany	3,728.0-3,729.0	3,725.0-3,732.0	10,10-10,10
Sweden	8,768.0-8,770.0	8,765.0-8,773.0	10,10-10,10
Denmark	10,225.0-10,245.0	10,220.0-10,250.0	10,10-10,10
AUSTRALIA	5,139.5-5,142.5	5,136.5-5,145.5	10,10-10,10
Austria	5,048.0-5,052.0	5,045.0-5,055.0	10,10-10,10
Portugal	47.40-47.50	47.35-47.55	10,10-10,10
Spain	4,360.0-4,361.0	4,357.0-4,364.0	10,10-10,10
Japan	404.70-405.50	404.50-405.70	10,10-10,10
BFR FIN.	29.40-29.50	29.35-29.55	10,10-10,10
SPAIN	9.40-9.50	9.35-9.45	10,10-10,10
MEXICO	22.77-22.79	22.74-22.82	10,10-10,10

Sig. one month 47-48 days, two months 83-87 days, three months 113-118 days, six months 206-212 days, twelve months 313-323 days.

Contra one month 3-4 days, two months 8-11 days, three months 2-3 days, six months 8-11 days, twelve months 14-21 days.

LONDON GOLD

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NEW YORK

February 23 Opening Price

STG. 2,480.5-2,480.5

BFR CON. 21,10-20,10

CAN. 8,13.50-8,14.00

FIR. 4,277.0-4,278.0

LIT. 240,00-241,00

DR. 1,470.0-1,471.0

W. Germany 3,728.0-3,729.0

DKR. 1,850.0-1,852.0

YEN. 10,225.0-10,245.0

AUSTRALIA 5,139.5-5,142.5

DKR. 5,048.0-5,052.0

NKR. 49.40-49.50

PORT. 47.40-47.50

SKR. 4,360.0-4,361.0

Japan 404.70-405.50

BFR FIN. 29.40-29.50

SPAIN 9.40-9.50

MEXICO 22.77-22.79

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NEW YORK

February 23 Opening Price

Gold 1,000 1,000

Belgian Franc 220.00

Deutscher Mark 1,852.00

French Franc 4,222.00

Italian Lira 2,411.00

Japanese Yen 240.700

Swiss Franc 1,671.00

DOW JONES STOCK AVERAGES

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NEW YORK

February 23

30 Industrials 1,828.57 DN 5.98 or 0.72%

20 Transport 1,822.50 DN 5.98 or 0.72%

15 Utilities 1,843.50 DN 6.18 or 0.72%

65 Stocks 1,821.53 DN 1.40 or 0.52%

ALB, Libya announced a 5% price increase for crude oil. Our analyst said the loss of Iran's production will be a short-term gain for oil prices, more moderate members of OPEC. An Iranian official said the country would resume all exports "very soon" but several analysts said a better picture of the situation would be seen at the end of March.

Federal Reserve Chairman William Miller said the U.S. economy is in a recovery phase and that interest rates would remain steady over the near-term. He said the lower interest rates would be a concern to the Fed's ability to control inflation and that it would be a long-term slow process. He said he felt the administration's 7.5% inflation forecast is too low. He also said he favors decontrolling domestic oil prices.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 5.98 to 1,828.57. After a morning decline of about 5% points, stocks began to move upward from the previous day's low. The market closed lower, however, after a period. The move wasn't sustained and the Average began to slide lower as the market went on. The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 5.98 to 1,828.57. About 26,000 stocks traded. Trading was slow.

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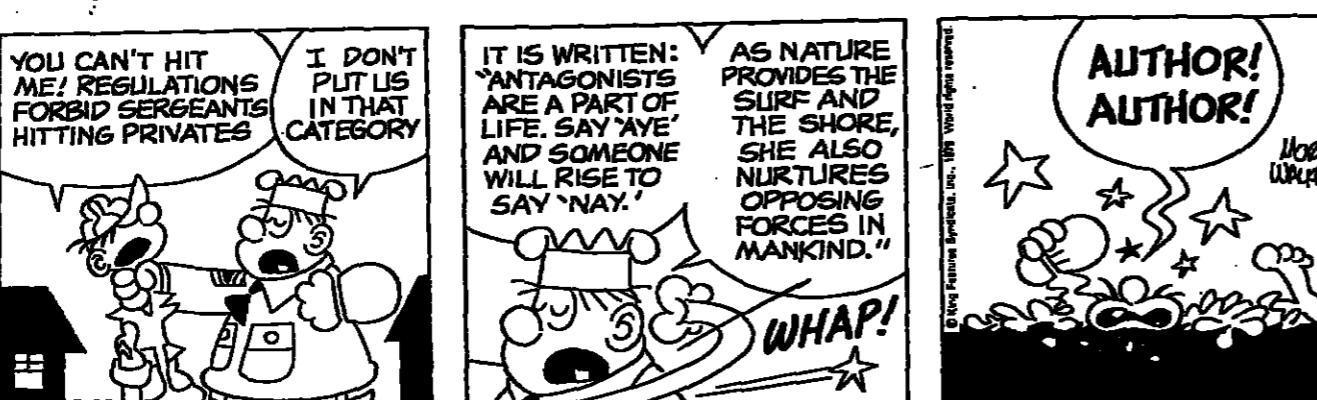
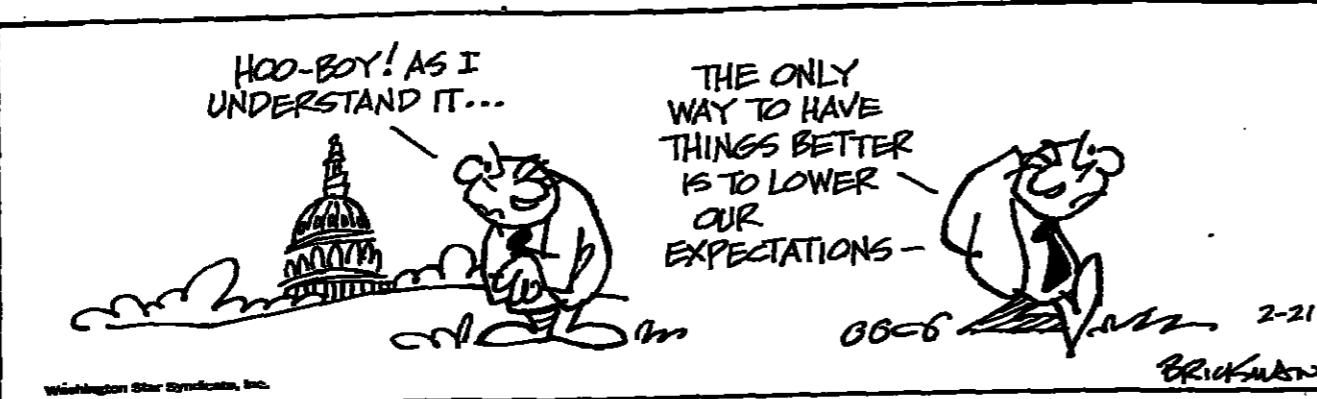
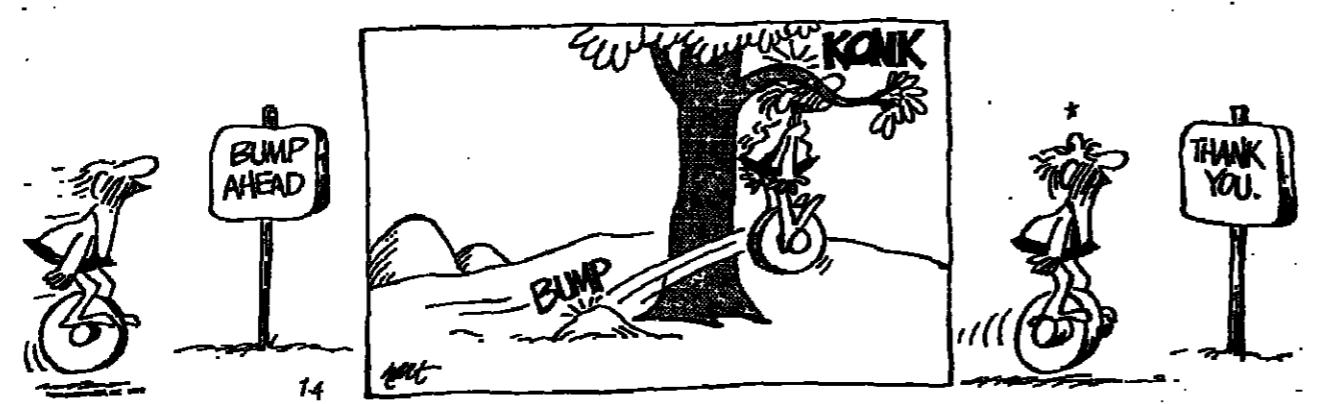
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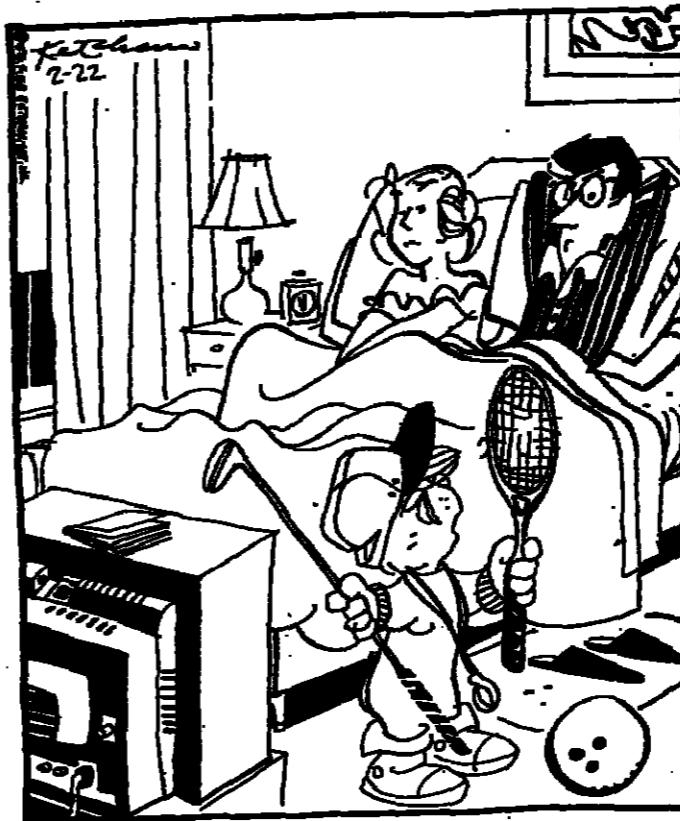
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Crossword

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1 Island near Java

5 Rustle

9 In the center

20 Church plate

22 1980 Inter-

ary shocker

23 Seven come

25 Prompt

27 Suffix

28 Child of Loki

29 Psychos

30 Not prepared

32 Hebrew

33 Endeavor

34 Model T

35 Symbol of

37 Mama

38 Lee's spew

39 Never

40 American

41 Meeting

42 Evil dead

43 Big dinner

44 Civil War veterans' org.

45 Schaeferine

46 Quo

47 Soft fabric

48 Athens's title

49 Upstart

50 Spout

51 DOWN

1 An Arid

2 Poet's

3 Ship

4 Hindu's

5 mother

6 Prompt

7 Vote count

8 Depth of thought

9 Nefily

10 An international prize

11 Back

12 Revert

13 Sicilian

14 Volcano

15 Yesterday's Answer

16 Restore

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21 Diameter

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24 Navy

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26 Bomber

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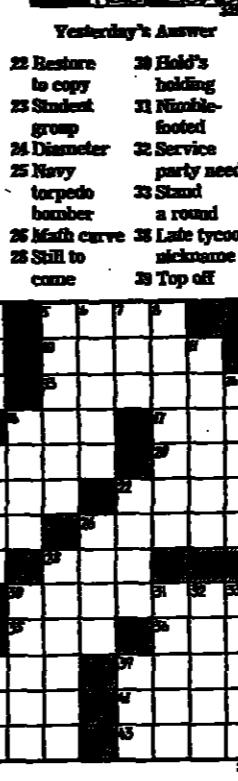
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30 Nickname

31 Still to come

32 Top off



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E L A N G L E F F O L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the third letter. The single letters, spaces, punctuation, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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South dealer:
North South vulnerable.NORTH
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♥ 7 6 2
♦ 0 4
♣ 4
♦ 4 K 9 3WEST
♦ Q 2 3
♦ A K 10 9 5 3
♦ Q 7 5
♦ Q 6 2
♦ J 6 5SOUTH
♦ A K 10 6 2
♦ Q J
♦ Q 8
♦ 7 4The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♦ Pass 4 ♦
3 ♦ Pass 4 ♦
Opening lead: king of hearts.

One of declarer's most frequent problems is whether to finesse or play for the drop, missing four to the queen of a suit. This is ordinarily only a slight mathematical advantage in favor of playing for the drop, so almost any clue pointing in the opposite direction should persuade declarer to finesse instead.

Here is an example of how declarer approached the play in a case where he sees that the fate of the hand rests on how he handles the trump situation.

West makes the K-4 of hearts and continues with the queen, but he is sure to win the war!

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Your Individual Horoscope

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FOR TUESDAY,
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What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES
(Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)

Keeping your thoughts to yourself will help them develop. Avoid premature decisions. Check impulsive actions or romance.

TAURUS
(Apr. 20 to May 20)

New friends may be exciting, but expect a dim response from loved ones if you bring unexpected company home for dinner.

GEMINI
(May 21 to June 20)

Favorable developments at work require your presence there in the near future. Don't think that because all is well, you can just take off.

CANCER
(June 21 to July 22)

In your enthusiasm to go places, don't make travel arrangements that are beyond your budget. A close one may be in a grumpy mood.

LEO
(July 23 to Aug. 22)

Check over all financial proposals carefully. A double or nothing attitude may leave you with nothing, despite favorable monetary incomes.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

Some good news today has your spirits soaring. However, don't get down if someone at a distance is less than enthusiastic about recent developments.

AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

Favorable financial developments mark the beginning of the day, but later, there may be some disagreements as to what to do with the money.

PISCES
(Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

Friends and loved ones are supportive and interested in your ideas, but watch out for carelessness on the job or with health.

ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

PRAYER TIMES

TUESDAY					
Mecca	5:31	6:49	12:40	4:02	6:27 7:57
Medina	5:34	6:50	12:43	4:02	6:26 7:56
Nejd	5:01	6:22	12:11	3:29	5:34 7:24

DAHHRAN TV

4:30 Children's Show
6:30 Challenge Of The Sexes
6:57 Health Ed. Film
7:25 Rhodes
7:50 Special
8:36 Sanford & Son
8:58 Kojak

Electric Co: No. 409, Animal Secrets; T-Live On Land Show No. 1
What To Do Till Help Arrives
The Job
Gene Kelly-American in Pasadena
A Nose For Junk
A Shield For Murder Part I

SAUDI RADIO

Afternoon Transmission
2:00 Opening
2:01 The Holy Quran
2:05 Gems of Guidance
2:10 S.A. - Historical Notes
2:20 On Islam
2:30 Hits in Germany
3:00 NEWS
3:10 Press Review
3:15 Music
3:20 Islamic Activities
3:30 Leaps and Bounds
3:40 Music
3:50 Close Down

Evening Transmission
10:00 Opening

10:01 The Holy Quran
10:05 Message to the Faithful
10:10 Light Music
10:15 NEWS
10:25 S.A. — A Daily Chronicle
10:30 Melody Makers
11:00 Youth Welfare
11:10 Music
11:15 Hot Rock
11:45 The Golden Age
12:00 Imp. Com. & Recollections
12:10 Music
12:15 Mood Music
12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
01:00 Close Down

10:05 Opinion: Analyses
News Summary
10:30 VOA Magazine: America; Science; Cultural; Letter
11:00 Special English: News
11:30 Music USA: Jazz

VOA WORLD REPORT
Midnight
12:00 News newsmakers' voices correspondents reports background features media comments news analyses.

BBC

Evening Transmission
8:00 World News
8:09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary
8:30 Sarah Ward
8:45 World Today
9:00 Newsdesk
9:30 Opera Star
10:00 World News
10:09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary
10:30 Sarah Ward
10:45 Something to Show You
11:00 World News
11:09 Reflections
11:15 Piano Style
11:30 Brain of Britain 1978
12:00 World News
12:09 British Press Review
12:15 World Today
12:30 Financial News
12:40 Look Ahead
12:45 The Tony Myatt Request Show
13:15 Water in Focus
13:30 Discovery
2:00 World News
2:09 News about Britain
2:15 Alphabet of Musical Curios
2:30 Sports International
2:40 Radio Newswel
3:15 Promenade Concert
3:45 Sports Round-up
4:00 World News
4:09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary

11:30 The Pleasure's Yours
11:45 Report on Religion
11:55 Radio Newsreel
12:15 "Outlook"
12:30 World News
12:45 "Commentary"
12:55 "Sherlock Holmes"
1:00 World Today
1:09 Books and Writers
1:30 "Take One"
1:45 Sports Round-up
9:00 World News
9:15 Radio Newsreel
9:30 Fanning World
10:00 Outlook News Summary
10:39 Stock Market Report
10:43 Look Ahead
10:45 Ulster in Focus
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11:30 The Pleasure's Yours
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12:15 Talkabout
12:45 Nature Notebook
1:00 World News
1:09 World Today
1:25 Financial News
1:35 Book Choice
1:40 Reflections
1:45 Sports Round-up
2:00 World News
2:09 Commentary
2:15 The Face of England

WEATHER

Forecast for the next 24 hours:

The northwestern region and parts of the western region will be affected by a low thermal pressure from the west of the Kingdom. Active southerly winds to cause dusty conditions and poor visibility, followed by a concentration of thick clouds and low temperatures. Sporadic showers are likely over the central, northeastern and eastern regions.

Sea conditions will be medium in the territorial waters. Monday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

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Riyadh 32 17 Turaif 21 03
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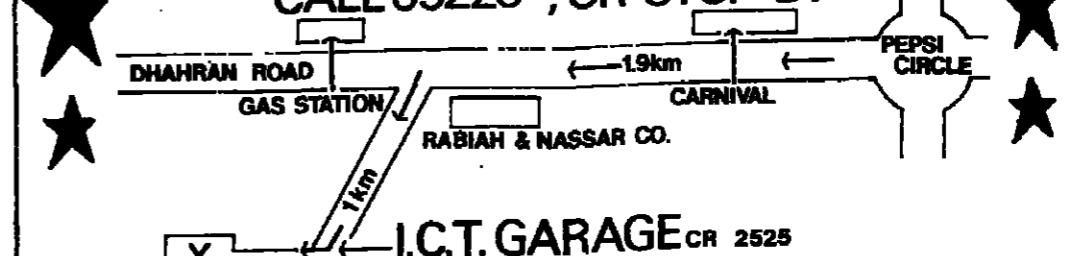
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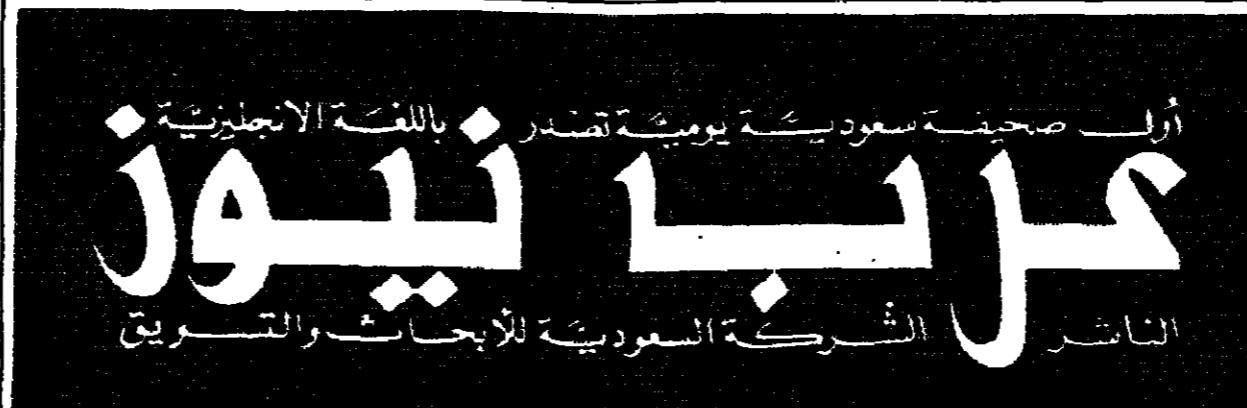
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International

Criminal conspiracy

Sanjay Gandhi convicted

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (AP) — Sanjay Gandhi the son of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, and one of her cabinet ministers were convicted Monday of five charges, including criminal conspiracy.

Both Gandhi, 32, and former Information Minister V.C. Shukla said they would appeal. But they declined an opportunity to address the court before it pronounced sentence on Tuesday.

The verdict ended an 11-month legal battle marked by radical shifts in testimony by a number of prosecution witnesses. Last May, Gandhi was sent to prison for a month after the Supreme Court ruled he had tampered with some of these witnesses.

They were found guilty of destroying a film, "Kissa Kursi Ka" or "Pursuit of the Seat of Power," satirizing Mrs. Gandhi. It was made by a

member of parliament, Amrit Natha, during the 19-month Emergency she imposed. Remade after the emergency was lifted, the film was a critical and commercial failure.

"I find the accused guilty of criminal conspiracy, breach of trust, mischief by fire, dishonesty receiving stolen property

night Tuesday. Most polls rate Suarez and Gonzalez even.

"We are the biggest and the best," Suarez told a weekend rally in the resort island of Majorca. "We are going to govern for four years with a majority. We will win the islands and all of Spain."

The premier who guided Spain's turn from dictatorship to democracy after being appointed by King Juan Carlos in 1976 spoke to about 2,000 residents of his Union of the Democratic Center Party at a restaurant, after a campaign pattern of avoiding open air meetings for security reasons.

Gonzalez, whose Spanish Socialist Workers Party finished second in 1977 elections, called the premier "a phantom candidate you don't see anywhere."

Police picket withdrawal gives Mardi Gras hope

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 26 (AP) — Striking police have agreed to obey a court order and pull pickets away from garbage dump and sanitation department garages. City officials said they hope to have New Orleans cleaned up for Mardi Gras.

"We just complied with the court order that the Fourth Circuit Court Sanitation Department," said Mitchell Ledet, a representative of the Teamsters Union, bargaining agent for the striking police.

Ledet said police pickets left the dumps and garages Sunday afternoon — about 17 hours after the appellate court handed down the five-day

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Arabs

He said that Arab development funds could play a leading role in the financing of Arab joint ventures.

On the agreement for the investment of Arab capital inside the Arab world, Zalzalah said that any Arab capital in all Arab countries should receive the same treatment as national capital, and should even be given preferential treatment.

The agreement would unify the provisions of three existing agreements, dealing with the transfer of capital from one Arab state to another, guaranteeing the safety of investments, and arbitrating on disputes.

Zalzalah also told a press conference that the agreement setting up the Arab Fisheries Co. would be signed Monday or Tuesday. Subscriptions had exceeded 80% of its capital. The company will be based in Jeddah. The company's SR 70 million capital could be increased at the request of the board.

U.S. — The company would be concerned with setting up marine and fish-based industries, fishing itself and marketing their products.

He said the Euro-Arab dialogue needs a continuous evaluation, while the Arab side should be united to obtain the best possible results.

Arab League Secretary-General Mahmoud Riad emphasized the need for close Arab economic coordination.

He urged the council to work towards strengthening Arab political, economic and social structures, calling for bolstering the Arab League to enable it serve Arab causes.

Villages
Information Minister Muhammad Salem Basendwa.

Basendwa was accompanied by the North Yemeni deputy commander of the armed forces, Muhammad Abu Shawarib, both of whom arrived here on Saturday.

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MADRID: Gina Lollobrigida talks to Mrs. Amparo Suarez, wife of the Spanish Prime Minister, at the opening last week of a display of her photographs. (AP photo)

Second day in orbit

Cosmonauts plan space link-up

MOSCOW, Feb. 26 (Agencies) — Two Soviet cosmonauts began their second day in space Monday by checking systems aboard their Soyuz 32 craft in preparation for an expected docking with the orbiting Salyut 6 space laboratory.

The mission was apparently keyed to Soviet efforts to perfect a shuttle system eventually leading to the first permanently manned space station.

An official report of the launch — Russia's 38th manned craft — suggested that overhauling Salyut's docking and living facilities would be among the cosmonauts' main tasks while in space.

Salyut-6 provides a home for crew and a base from which they can carry out detailed scientific experiments and photograph the earth's surface.

The Dog Has His Day

By Abdallah Jafri

Say the word "dog" to someone nowadays, and instead of putting a knife to defend his honor and that of his forebears he is liable to lick his lips.

Dog seems to be catching on as a delicacy in the restaurants of the world, following trends I was always told were set in the Far East.

I noticed the absence of dogs in the street when I went to an Asian capital. My hosts' body derided that anyone there would do such a thing as eat dog, and anyway if they did they would catch the animal concerned in side streets rather than in the main thoroughfares.

And they always claim that since Asian workers invaded the Gulf construction market, the stray dog population of the Arab world has dropped in proportion to the amount of meals our guests consume. An Arab poet once wrote that to eat dog meat made him feel strong, so perhaps that is why they work so hard.

But dogs hardly look succulent. The more one sees them in the streets of Asia or the Arab world, the more dirty, smelly and disgusting they seem. So why do Asians not take that aspect of their cuisine to the West instead.

In developed countries dogs are too beloved and too pampered to be put in the pot. They enjoy something equivalent to human rights. Spoilt, well-fed and clean dogs are taken to the doctor, ride in big cars, sleep in luxurious bungalows, have their fur done at the beauty parlor, and so on. Any moves to eat them would call forth protests that might even involve the United Nations Security Council. It would be too much trouble.

The beasts are treated better than humans. In some places mangy brutes hang around in packs, barking at humans — and even biting them — in search of a bone. In others, it is the other way around. So dogs are given all the comforts of civilization, while human life is as good as worthless.

Translated from Ashraq Al-Awsat

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